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# The Central Florida Future

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## Hemp is art...



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Local artist Mark Bennett makes a hemp bracelet Tuesday. Bennett is often on campus to sell his jewelry to UCF students.

## UCF not the best value for the money, national magazines say

□ But neither *U.S. News & World Report* nor *Money Magazine* consider factors that would give UCF an edge.

by OMAR DAJANI  
Staff writer

Once again, UCF failed to appear in *U.S. News & World Report's* ranking of the top 15 southern region's universities, and in *Money Magazine's* "Your Best College Buys Now," UCF didn't even appear as a blip on the radar screen.

Each fall, several national publications rate and rank hundreds of four-year universities, but it is important to note that most rankings are related to what the editors feel are the best values for the money, rather than the merit of the degree. That raises many eyebrows and is still controversial in many academic

circles.

What do these rankings and surveys mean? The editors of *U.S. News* and *Money Magazine* admit they don't make assessments of what graduates learn at college as part of the ranking methodology. They point out that their guide is geared to average middle-class parents who are "shopping" for the best value.

The most common criteria used in analyzing educational quality versus value for money includes high school class rank, grade point averages and SAT and ACT scores of incoming freshmen, faculty to student ratio, four-year graduation rates and percentage of students who continue on to professional or graduate schools.

Critics of these rankings point out that factors like faculty resources, such as advanced laboratories and research centers, are not considered or given little significance. Nor is the percentage of faculty with doctorate degrees or national and international recognition of certain specialized pro-

grams.

"Rating and ranking systems are popular in any field of endeavor... It makes for interesting, entertaining and even controversial reading, but very often it does not reflect reality in its broadest and truest sense," said Dean McFall, assistant vice president for university relations. "The real test of educational effectiveness is with the achievements of your students; on that measure we'll compare and compete with anyone."

McFall continued by pointing out that UCF has achieved national and international recognition in the fields of computer science, electro-optics and laser technology. He added, "That is not factored into the methodology."

Other world-renowned universities like Harvard and Princeton also failed to make both magazines' top 10 lists, either.

"We have a highly individualized academic program," said

see MAGAZINES, page 5

## Students climb walls, talk to politicians in unconventional 'Leadership UCF' class

by MIKE NEMETH  
Staff writer

Imagine having to scale a 50-foot wall as part of an orientation for a new 3-credit hour class offered at UCF. That's how students taking Leadership UCF began the semester. Throughout the year-long class, students will study more than six subjects from government to the environment as part of this new program.

Leadership UCF is very different from any other course offered this fall.

Created at UCF, the class has no bounds, is graded on a pass/fail basis, fits no mold and is free to be unique.

Rosibel Monserate, a communications student taking the class, said the course began with an orientation which featured a personality test. Based on the results, the students were divided into groups. Dr. Belinda McCarthy, course instructor and Dean of the College of Health and Public Affairs, said the personality tests were given to determine what kinds of people students will have an easy or hard time dealing with. Scaling the 50-foot wall and getting through a maze were also part of orientation.

"I enrolled in the course because it sounded like an awesome class," said Monserate. "It covers all aspects — working with all different issues, like the environment, government and the arts."

Marilyn Crotty, coordinator of the class and director of the UCF Institute of Government, said the goal was to get a cross-section of students from all five colleges at UCF.

The students participating are also proportionate to the sizes of the colleges they came from, reflecting the demographics at UCF.

Crotty said the class meets about once per month, usually on Friday afternoons and Saturdays. The students study subjects ranging from the arts to criminal justice and health care policies to education.

Crotty said there will often be guest speakers, and each college is committed to sponsoring one event. This Saturday, for example, government is the focus. Former Florida Governor Reubin Askew (1971-1979) will speak to the class.

In October, economic development will be the focus and the college of business administration is responsible.

The class also runs for two semesters because the activities could not fit into a single semester, Crotty said.

The class is limited to upperclassmen with grade point averages of at least 2.7 and students with leadership experience are preferred.

"You don't have to be a 4.0 (GPA) student to take this course," said Crotty, "but students who are struggling academically don't need to be spending their free time with this program."

All UCF upperclassmen who qualified were sent letters from Dr. John Hitt, informing them of the class and locations of applications.

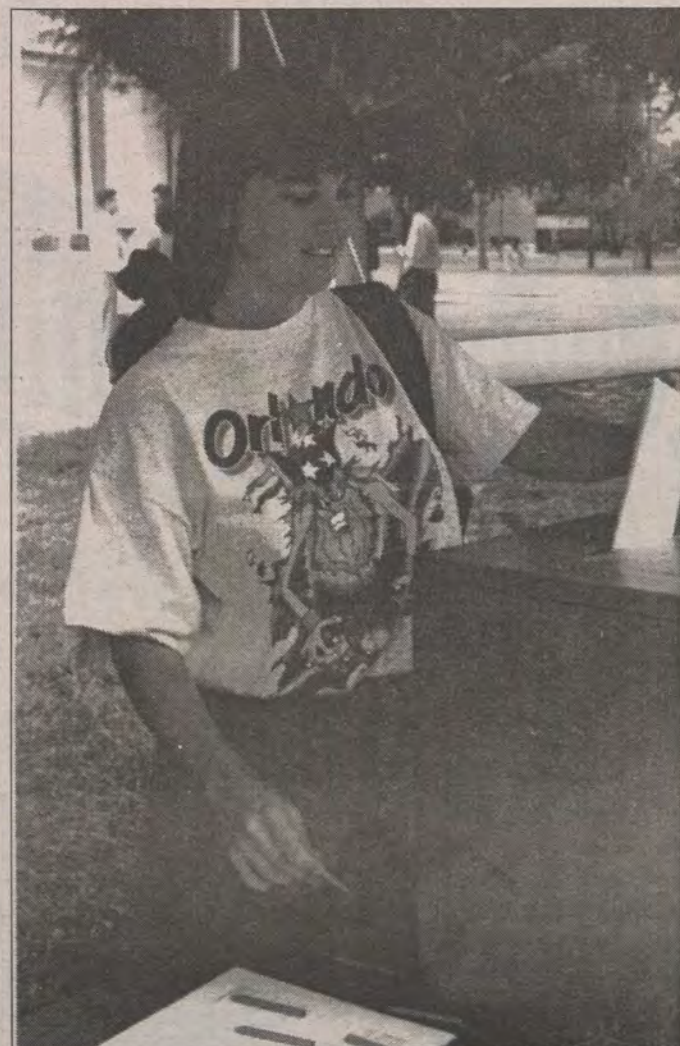
She said the application for the program was four pages long and included questions like, "What has been your most challenging experience at UCF, why was it challenging and what did you learn?"

More than 60 students applied for the class last spring, and 39 were chosen.

"We got more applications than we expected. They are brave students,

see LEADERSHIP, page 4

## Democracy in action



Armando Solares/FUTURE

Bridgett O'Donnell, an education major, casts her vote Tuesday in the Student Government Senate elections.

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## Talking politics



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Kim Darovek, a Student Government Senate candidate for Arts and Sciences Seat 3, talks to Helena Hernandez and Danila Montiel during this week's elections. Voting ended Wednesday afternoon.

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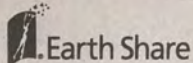
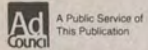
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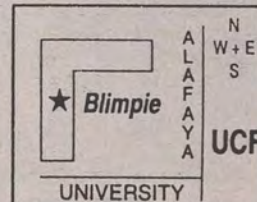
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# Campus News Nationwide

## Newest Mexican Hot Spot is Chile Institute at NMSU

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LAS CRUCES, N.M.—In a place where the food often burns as hot as the sun, southern New Mexico is the natural choice for the world's first international center devoted to the chile pepper.

Or so it seems to officials at New Mexico State University's Chile Institute, who have announced the beginning of private fund-raising efforts to raise \$2.5 million for an International Center for Chile. The center will be located on the New Mexico State University campus in Las Cruces.

"We want to illustrate the wonders of chile," says Paul Bosland, who is director of the Chile Institute, a resident chile breeder and a New Mexico State University horticulture professor. "And I can't think of a better place to educate the world about them than here in New Mexico."

Bosland and his colleagues

are sizzling with ideas on how to make the center into the international hot spot for chile research and education. Plans for the 12,000-square-foot institute include various exhibits devoted to the spicy pepper, an archive, a horticulture unit, a cafe and a gift shop.

At the horticulture unit, there will be an outdoor demonstration garden and a greenhouse, which will harvest hundreds of chile varieties year round. The exhibit area will chronicle the history of chiles, their popularity around the world and their effect on various industries. Meanwhile, a gift shop will feature hundreds of chile-related items, and a cafe will serve up hot and spicy food dishes from around the world.

Dave DeWitt, the institute's executive secretary and editor of "Chile Pepper" magazine calls the center "a cross between a museum and Epcot center." He says eventually, Chile Institute officials

hope to add a theater, a children's museum and a chile germ plasm storage area to make the center an ideal spot for both researchers and tourists.

The journey toward the actualization of a chile research center has been a long one, says DeWitt.

"About 15 years ago, I started collecting scholarly information about chile on my own, and I knew there were other people out there were doing the same thing," he says. "Then I thought, 'What's going to happen to all this stuff when I'm gone?'"

In addition to adding a spicy kick to the local tourism industry, Bosland says he hopes the proposed center will help chile growers learn more about their crop as well. "It would help enhance the economic development here in New Mexico," he said.

Emma Jean Cervantes, a local chile grower and chair of the institute's board, agrees. "It's go-

ing to be a great research facility and a center to place our archives," she said. "We'll kind of be the computer of chile."

Bosland said chile research has been going on in the state of New Mexico for more than 100 years. "It's always been an important crop to the residents here. It's our national identity," he said. "New Mexico is the leading chile producing state in the country. People from all over the world come here to learn about chiles."

Fund-raising efforts for the chile center kicked into full gear in August, when the NMSU College of Agriculture hosted the National Pepper Conference. Brochures were handed out to the participants, who came from all over the world to discuss the latest chile findings.

"We've turned to the food industry, especially the Mexican or spicy food industry, for money," said Bosland. "We hope to get as much private support for this as

we can."

And according to Bosland, the money is already coming in. Those who give at least \$100 to the center's construction will be inducted into the institute's "Hall of Flame."

Although the NMSU Board of Regents has yet to officially vote on the Chile Institute's plans for the International Center for Chile, Bosland is confident that the endeavor will be deemed worthy of a spot on campus. "Chiles are a big thing down here," he said. "This is something that's a natural for us."

And if they build it, will people come? Bosland, for one, said yes. "When people realize all the things chiles are used for—food, medicine, dyes—they'll want to learn more," he said, adding that the increased attention paid to spicy food is indicative of people's interest. "It's an important part of our life here. It plays a huge role in our culture."

### News Bits

#### College Pigsty Search

Milton Bradley's Pass the Pigs is holding a National Pigsty Search. The contest is open to all college students, who must be nominated by a resident advisor. The contestant with the messiest room will receive \$1,000, a professional room cleaning, an on-campus party for 100 friends and a Milton Bradley prize pack. Contestants can send a 4" x 6" photo of their dorm room, a brief paragraph describing why they are proud of their room and a signature from an RA to: Pass the Pigs' Pigsty, c/o Fleishman-Hillard, Inc., 1330 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019. Entries must be received by Oct. 10.

#### High speed rail

The Florida Department of Transportation is holding a public workshop concerning the proposed development of a high speed rail service in Florida, from 7 to 9 P.M. Thursday, Oct. 6 at the Orlando Museum of Art. For additional information contact Dawn Weaver at 623-1085, ext. 117.

#### Volleyball clinic

Volleyball legend Karch Kiraly will conduct an instructional clinic from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23 at Disney's Grand Floridian Beach Resort after the Old Spice King of the Beach Invitational. A \$25 registration fee will be collected. Call (800) 424-5754 for information.

#### Nurses Convention

The Florida Nurses Association will hold its 83rd Annual Convention Sept. 21-24 at the Marriott at Sawgrass. Beverly Malone is scheduled to speak at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 23. For more information contact the Florida Nurses Association, P.O. Box 536985, Orlando, FL 32853-6985. Or call 896-3261.

#### Miss Teen Pageant

Applicants are now being accepted for the 1994 Miss Teen All American Pageant to be staged Dec.

10 and 11 at the Howard Johnson Hotel and Conference Center in Daytona Beach. For more information call (304)-242-4900.

#### Management series

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center, a part of the Small Business Development Center in the College of Business Administration at UCF, is offering a nine-part series on Essentials in Contract Management. It will be held on Tuesdays beginning Sept. 20 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the UCF-BCC campus Cocoa. Call the Small Business Development Center at 823-5554.

#### American Heart Walk

Bob Opsahl, anchor for WFTV Channel 9, will join thousands of Citizens of Metro Orlando to walk all over heart diseases during the American Heart Walk, 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23 at Rollins College in Winter Park. Call Debra Chifftriller at 843-1330.

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# Program hopes to expand next year

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not knowing what to expect [from a new course]. With 25,000 students at UCF, it's a shame that only 39 kids can participate," said Crotty.

Crotty added that they did not run a larger class because it would hurt the effectiveness of group projects. If the program had more money, one idea would be to run two sessions of the course. It should not be a problem to get more money in the future, Crotty said. Currently, the program is funded through the Strategic Planning Initiative award program.

This popular new course originated with the experiences McCarthy enjoyed in a program called Leadership Orlando.

"I learned a great deal about Orlando and the challenges facing it. Then I thought, who better to benefit from this sort of experience than col-

lege students before they get involved in their careers?"

Crotty said this program fills a void in the university system. There are leadership programs for all other groups of people, but nothing for college students, she said.

Junior Achievement runs a program for high school students and Leadership Orlando is for people already established in their careers. Leadership UCF is the first program of its kind to be offered to UCF students.

Upperclassmen, who take mostly courses in their major, rarely have the chance to deal with students from other colleges. Crotty said the program offers something for everyone—the opportunity to enhance leadership skills.

Student Government has leadership programs, and other places across the United States offer non-credit leadership courses, but none

like the one UCF offers, Crotty said.

Crotty said McCarthy, along with herself and a steering committee comprised of students, designed the group. She said they first brainstormed on what would be best for the group. Then it took about a year to develop their ideas.

The program, much like Leadership Orlando, combines exposure to community issues with leadership training and skill development.

McCarthy said that as instructor, she determines whether the students pass or fail. "I'm also involved in evaluating the program," she said. "I want to make sure it has all the elements it needs."

McCarthy said she takes student input very seriously because she wants to improve the young program.

One change already needs to be made, she said. "We can't schedule [class] during football games [again]."

## Feeling depressed? Could be your roommate

College Press Service

GALVESTON, Texas—Feeling run-down? Weepy? Don't want to get out of bed in the morning? You may have caught a bug from your roommate: depression.

Depressed students can make their roommate feel more depressed, according to a study recently conducted by Dr. Thomas E. Joiner of the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. Results of the study appeared recently in the *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.

If the roommates are the types

who crave constant reassurance, the study said, then they were more likely to catch the blues.

Nearly 100 pairs of roommates male and female, those who picked each other and those thrown together by lottery we examined.

Students from an introductory psychology class and their same-sex roommates filled out questionnaires about their personal views, feelings and attitudes of school, work and friends. Three weeks later, they filled out the surveys again.

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surance.

When the results were compared, roommates of psychology class students showing mild signs of depression, such as sadness, tiredness, irritability and lack of motivation, had become more depressed over the three weeks. The change occurred no matter how much depression they exhibited on the first survey or what had happened to them during that time.

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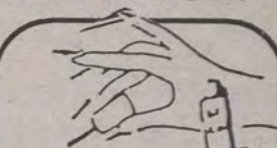
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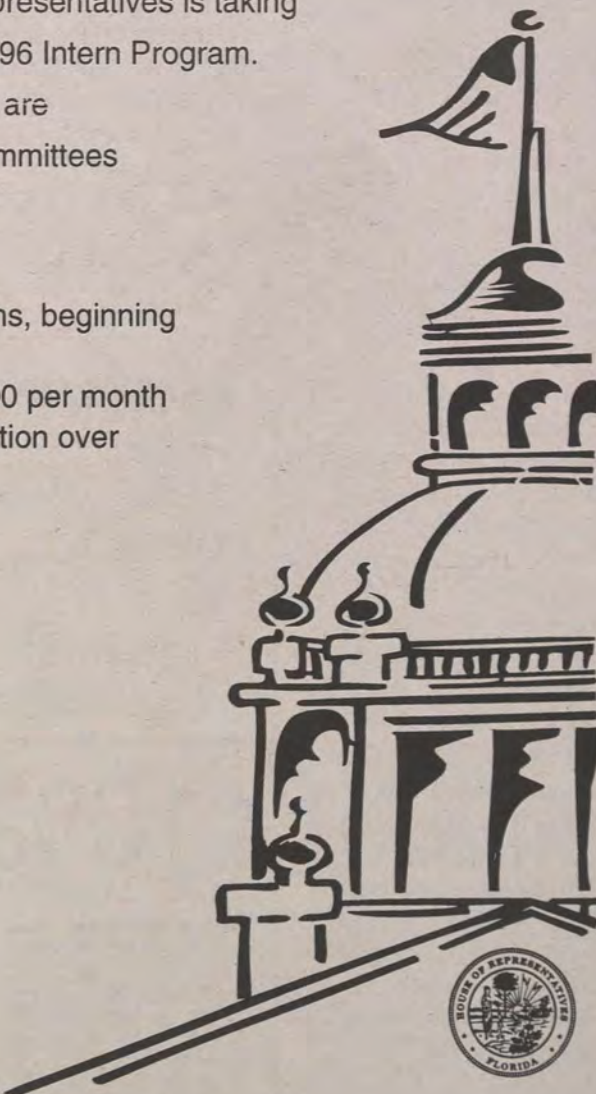
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UCF made top 15 in previous years

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Jim Feeney, director of special project development for the New College of the University of South Florida, *Money Magazine's* No. 1 rated university for best college value. "We are very selective in our admission standards, because we think it is important that [we achieve a situation where] we have good students working with other good students."

New College, established in 1964, has 540 students, and unlike UCF, it does not have intramural sports, an engineering school, or any graduate or post-graduate education.

In 1991 and 1992, UCF was ranked No. 11 in the southeast by *U.S. News*. Additionally, 98 percent of the faculty at UCF have doctorates; the school has a 17-to-1 faculty to student ratio and a 44 percent graduation rate.

Stetson University and Rollins College were ranked second and third, respectively, in *U.S. News's* top 15 regional universities for the south.

"If you judge attractiveness of a university by how many students continue to want to come here, by that measure UCF is among the

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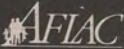
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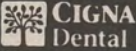
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\* "EARTH AND SKY" airs Monday through Friday at 12:00, 5:40 and 8:55 pm.

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## SG hopefuls need to quit assaulting people

"Hi, are you in the College of Arts and Sciences?"

If you're like everyone else all across campus, you've also spent the last few days avoiding those brightly striped tents scattered across campus. For those living in a dark cave (the dorms), the Student Government elections are going on. For those who really don't know what's happening, Student Government is an organization dedicated to acting in the best interests of the student and becoming the "student's voice" in university politics. Basically, it's a way for political hopefuls to hone their butt-kissing and money laundering skills. For the rest of the week, be prepared to be assaulted with small bits of colorful paper and bright shiny baubles designed to make you vote for whomever.

For most students across campus, elections come and go without much notice, unless you consider interrupting a fine cafeteria meal to hear someone's speech on how their going to cancel school every Friday an intrusion.

On the other hand, as far as the administration is concerned, Student Government is just a way to keep the students happy while building mansions and authorizing pay raises for themselves. Most of the students who get elected have already "networked" their way into the cold dark hearts of the administration anyway, so little, if any, is to be expected from them.

As is normally the case, elections will come and go, and nothing will really happen except the "ruling" class propagating itself by converting those innocent hopefuls who actually hope to change something.

After a long hard day of denying any connection with the school and deliberately forgetting your student ID, settle back and get ready for HOMECOMING!

Yes, homecoming, that bastion of Greek celebration and rowdiness where everyone gets to see where their hard-earned tuition goes. Maybe you're not a big fan of Jeff Foxworthy (who?), but just know that you can still see him in all his prime for just \$5.

For those of you unfamiliar with this system, what happens is you pay \$5 dollars now and pray that it will find it's way into the hands of some kind generous soul who will actually try to use it to pay for a concert in the spring (don't hold your breath.)

Of course, the budget spending of this fine institution is neither here nor there (most there). The last thing I'm sure you want to know is that our fine Student Government allocated \$60,000 to the Campus Activities Board for concerts throughout the year.

Back to Student Government — I hope you showed your support for the Student Government and voted this week. If not, make sure you at least vote in the elections that really count—the spring presidential elections. Even if you don't know anyone on the ballot, just close your eyes and put marks on the paper, that's what most people do.

Chad Brunner  
Opinion Editor



"WE WERE JUST SITTING HERE, I WAS FLIPPING THROUGH THE TV CHANNELS, AND I SAID I COULD HARDLY WAIT TO GET A DIRECT BROADCAST SATELLITE DISH WITH 150 CHANNELS..."

## Letters to the Editor

### Homecoming activities not quite accurate

I would like to bring to your attention a few errors in your Sept. 20, piece on Homecoming activities.

The piece states that Universal Studios will "bring a big screen to the Green to show the movie *Jurassic Park*..." I feel it is important to note that Universal Studios was not responsible for the film screening, and proper credit should be given. Brian Winthrop International was contracted for their "Big Surf Drive-In" program, which provides a large screen, rear projection system with surround sound. The film was contracted through Swank Motion Pictures.

It is also false that Universal will be providing the characters of Dracula and Lucille Ball for the event, as stated in your piece. Only the characters of Beetlejuice and Frankenstein will make an appearance.

As the person responsible for booking this event and contacting Universal Studios, I am surprised that I was not contacted to confirm the above items for your story.

Derek Miner  
Student Director,  
Cinema Committee

### Love one another... Eat what you want

I would like to respond to the views on animal rights expressed by Dave Bauer and Cynthia Conlin. Ms. Conlin, a vegetarian, cited a variety of reasons for not eating animals, including nutrition (we can get all the nutrients we need from non-animal sources), human physiology (our teeth are better equipped for grinding grains that tearing flesh), evolution (our closest relatives are the apes, which are mostly vegetarian), and, of course, the unsanitary and cruel conditions of chicken farms and slaughterhouses. Mr. Bauer's argument, on the other hand, relies mainly on the views of PETA, an animal rights group that he describes as extremist. He ends his letter with a quote from the Bible. Were I not already vegetarian, I would certainly be more readily swayed by Ms. Conlin's arguments than those of Mr. Bauer.

However, I agree with Mr. Bauer's statement, "...I absolutely disagree with the idea that eating beef or any kind of meat is morally wrong." I feel that the issue is not whether it is "right" or "wrong" to eat animals, for they are indeed a part of the food chain, just as are vegetables. In my opinion, the important issue is one of awareness. Most people prefer to eat food such as fish processed into a neat, square patty than in it's natural, fish-shaped form. The same is true of meat. We're so afraid to acknowledge that it was once a living, breathing creature that we've invented a new vocabulary. The pig we eat is called pork, cow is beef or hamburger, veal is killed young. Hiding the true nature of the food we eat not only makes us more comfortable about eating it, but it makes it easier to take for granted. David Barnhill writes in the Spring 1993 issue of *Tricycle* Buddhist publication, "Is it possible in our world to live without killing? Can one, for instance, raise even an organic garden without killing some insects (let alone weeds)?... Such an affirmation of the inescapable, systematic nature of suffering, that 'every living thing impinges on every other living thing' is not an excuse for a cynical dismissal of concern but rather the source of an intensified compassion."

And so, Ms. Conlin, enjoy your salad. Mr. Bauer, savor your steaks, but whatever it is you choose to eat, take a moment to think of the suffering that was endured at the expense of your meal, be it that of the animal who gave up it's life or of the migrant worker who picked lettuce all day at sub-minimum wage. By acknowledging the suffering of others, perhaps we can develop compassion and loving kindness in our hearts which could be extended to all our fellow beings, both human and animal.

Lisa Drasco  
Freshman

Peggy Perozzo  
Physics

### Education and awareness not peer pressure

This is in response to Robert Voor's article in the Sept. 8, issue ("Put a condom on my head and call me Pippy"). He seems to believe that handing out condoms promotes the "wrong" type of atmosphere and attitude regarding sex and college life. Referring to those who are abstinent, he states "...handing them a condom might pressure them or tempt them to be promiscuous and greatly increase their chance of dying of AIDS."

I'm sorry, but as a responsible virgin, I do not think that someone handing me a condom is going to suddenly overthrow all my beliefs and moral standards. I'm not going to suddenly rip off all my clothes and leap onto the nearest man just to try out this new "toy" someone just handed me.

If we here at college are "...college students, and we'd like to be treated like adults..." we don't we also assume adult responsibility. If we do choose to have sex, it is our responsibility as an adult to use proper protection to prevent pregnancy and the spread of STDs. If Mr. Voor thinks people's moral characters are so fragile to be changed by someone offering them a condom, I hate to think of his ideas on television and the movies today. Excuse me, but I need to go run off and blow something up, I just finished watching *Lethal Weapon*.

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## Cuba needs a new leader, and it's not America

Not since the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962 has this Caribbean island received so much attention from America. Since Florida is the destination of the thousands of Cuban rafters who brave the Florida Strait, the so-called Cuban crisis is of particular interest to us.

I'd like to get one thing out of the way right away. I'm not a xenophobe. I welcome immigrants from any nation, any culture. After all, America was built largely as a result of immigration — immigrant labor, immigrant ingenuity, immigrant blood, sweat and tears. Unless you're derived from Native American blood, you're an immigrant, too. We are all the product of immigration at some point in the past.

It has been the standing policy of America to allow any person under political or religious persecution to emigrate to our shores; however, let's look at a few statistics involving the recent Cuban situation. According to the *CIA World Factbook*, the estimated population of Cuba stands somewhere around the 12 million mark. Of those, it is estimated that several million Cubans now anxiously await visas to legally emigrate to the United States. Over 30,000 people have already braved the dangerous Florida Strait, and many have perished. Clearly, this is a desperate effort of a population that has few options available. Or do they?

To understand the current political atmosphere in Cuba, it is necessary to first look back at an historical perspective. In the 1950s, Cuba was a thriving economic center. Havana was the playground of the rich from all over the world. America owned many of the country's resources, including over 80 percent of Cuba's utilities, which has been installed largely at American expense. Cuba's leader at the time, dictator Fulgencio Batista, had some unsavory ties to underworld gambling, prostitution and drugs. The rich got richer, and the poor got screwed. Fidel Castro, then a lawyer, became disgruntled at the growing gap between the classes and mounted a revolution — a revolution of mountain peasants against the powerful dictatorship. He won against all odds, finally driving Batista from power in January 1959. America's

### Scott C. Holbrook THE VIEW FROM HERE

reaction was one of hope for a new political structure, a new era of Cuban-American relation. Instead, Castro seized American properties in Cuba, installed Communists in key power positions and turned to the Soviet Union for political and economic backing. The end result: Cuba had traded one dictator for another.

Whether Castro duped the peasants who fought for his cause is speculation beyond this article. What I would like to focus attention upon is the current chaos in Cuba. The Cuban economy, no longer receiving millions of dollars each week from the former Soviet Union, is in disarray. Trade partnerships have dissolved, and exports are waning. The question remains: What do we do about it?

Currently, the United States is spending \$50 million to house the refugees at the American naval base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. This represents an enormous expenditure of capital on the part of America, and what's the result? Cubans hopeful for the salvation of American opportunities have been returned to their homeland, with no guarantee that their situation will improve.

Yes, I say let's help the Cubans out of their economic and political quagmire. That's a basic tenet of America, after all. But what does a total open-door policy to Cuban refugees accomplish? Beyond helping those fortunate enough to gain a legal visa to America, it does nothing. It won't change the situation in Cuba. Castro still remains in power, and the temporary band-aid of refugee aid and immigration won't change that.

Cuba needs to change itself from within. Castro did it in the 1950s. A new leader needs to emerge in the 1990s. And I realize the task is nothing short of Herculean, but it has been done in the past, and the only way for Cuba to really affect permanent change for the better is to take its country back. Only then can the rebuilding begin.

## The Clinton Health Care Plan and lifeboat economics

### Wayne Webster FUTURE COLUMNIST

A pending national health care plan is currently being debated in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. The proposed Clinton health care plan could provide total health care coverage for virtually all Americans. On the other hand, it could also represent a catastrophically expensive solution to our country's health care crisis. My opinion favoring the Clinton health care plan will be contrasted with the argumentative concepts expressed by widely published author, Garrett Hardin, in his article, "Lifeboat Ethics."

Most importantly, the proposed health care plan would provide universal coverage for not just some people but all people. Critics of the plan state that the associated costs would be astronomical thus leading to national bankruptcy. Superior financial management of the plan would therefore be critically important. Currently, the government provides Medicare, education and defense to all American citizens. This same approach can and should be applied to health care. If insufficient revenues exist at some time in the future to maintain health care in the black, then methods to solve the situation would need to be implemented. These methods may include cutting back other social programs, temporary taxes or shifting other budgetary funds to health care. These practices are used frequently by almost all state and federal governments today, when and if the need exists.

Secondly, a universal health care plan for our nation would help to stabilize the spiraling costs of health care itself. Here, again, critics claim that additional layers of bureaucratic administration in the health care system will add to the already high costs of health care. Virtually everyone has been affected by the perpetually rising cost of health care. The health care system as it presently exists has become a feeding frenzy pitting hospitals providing care against insurance companies providing health insurance coverage with the consumer caught in the middle. Today, the costs of duplication of efforts for the administration of health care is virtually impossible to accurately measure. By effectively and systematically streamlining the administration of health care and eliminating unnecessary duplication, costs would stabilize and in all likelihood drop.

Thirdly, fraud could be brought under control in the health care system. The potential for fraud exists with any welfare system, and certain people will always attempt to beat the system for their own personal financial gain. However, fraud has been brought under control with remarkable success in other welfare programs with the implementation of effective participant identification and security programs. Parallel programs could be implemented that would identify potentially fraudulent claims requiring further investigation. Additionally, strict enforcement of the rules with subsequent violators being promptly jailed would provide a valid incentive to any potential health care system cheater.

Finally, the present system of costly and unequally distributed high-technology medical equipment could be solved. Certain areas of the country possess far more equipment than they need with respect to patient requirements for their area. Unfortunately, the opposite situation also occurs when equipment shortages result in patients needlessly having to travel great distances at additional personal cost for necessary medical treatments. The goal would be to relocate existing under-utilized medical equipment to regions that truly need it. This strategy would provide the effect of increasing the operating efficiency of existing equipment without needless and costly procurement of unnecessary redundant equipment as is currently practiced. In short, more patients could be treated for far less money.

On the whole, the undertaking of a national health care plan is a tremendous financial gamble. Nevertheless, with superior financial management practices, reduction of duplicative administration, identification of fraudulent claims, and redistributing under utilized equipment, health care costs could indeed first be stabilized and then reduced thus saving U.S. citizens billions of dollars yearly.

## Liberals & Democrats -- The Facts and the Truth: Part III

### Brynn W. Yee THE YOUNG REPUBLIC

Due to a large response to this series, especially to article 2, I have taken two weeks to compile a sample of information about the series topic — that liberals and Democrats, often one and the same in life, have a flawed hodge-podge theory based mainly upon emotional ravings devoid of any real facts or logical thought. They are also known for hypocrisy.

In the June 1, 1994 issue of the *Future*, a story ran about the trip of UCF Student Government Debbie Kane to Washington D.C. She attended the Celebration of Abilities program in which she received the Michael Schwerner Award for impressive activism on the part of disabled rights. She was disappointed to find she couldn't complete the White House tour due to lack of access ramps and handicap facilities. Perhaps men like Clinton only support the disabled in theory and heart, for he obviously didn't want Ms. Kane to enter parts of the White House in her wheelchair. I'm sure most Democrats would deplore such an activity by any business or by any Republican-affiliated organization, even if it because of unawareness or a lack of time to comply. I guess ADA is a point of hypocrisy for the Clinton administration.

Another instance of the two-faced liberal is in the World Population Conference. Al Gore has stated that the United States believes in the proliferation of birth control and full family planning services to third world nations and that failure to institute these practices by sovereign third world nations would be taken negatively. He even indicated that it may effect funding and support for those nations. These actions reflect a lack of "cultural understanding," a big liberal point, since women in third world nations see children as both a source of pride and status. Additionally, large families are needed for farming economies.

This will, according to Sheldon Richman of the Cato Policy Report, lead to mandatory sterilization to reduce the number of children the world has. Rich white people will tell poor black, brown and yellow people not to have children. Logically, this must occur, considering the Democrats' insistence that large populations lead to poverty and the opposition to birth control that will result from most third world populations and their governments. Even now, the fundamental Islamic nations are

vehemently protesting and abstaining from the conference.

Isn't it hypocritical for a party of self-proclaimed protectors of individual rights to force women to not bear children? Such an act is just as invasive as preventing abortion, if one believes in murdering children for the sake of the mother's bodily freedom.

Additionally, the Democratic Presidential administration would be dictating to a largely non-white population the "acceptable" behaviors of a very intimate capacity. Would Al Gore dare support such preposterous measures for Americans? Or does he simply believe the rest of the world is inferior, ignorant and require great liberal minds to direct them in the ways of father socialism?

There is also a very prejudicial reporting of issues by liberals. The media has covered violence against clinic workers and abortion doctors (or more appropriately abortionists, since doctors save lives) very well; however, no major network has given any attention to radicals on the other side. When threats were made against priests in the Diocese of Miami, no reporters from large stations were there, even though the lunatics threatened to kill 10 priests for the recent deaths of abortionists and their voluntary security. Where are the articles about the radical left or the atheists/godless left? We hear enough about the radical right and what are said to be the religious nuts of the Christian right. Perhaps all the liberal media wants us to see are conservative lunatics. Maybe there are more mentally unstable people to the left, but they're just in the closet — following the questionable logic of a recent respondent to my second article.

Lastly, there is selective legal enforcement of liberal principles. The prejudicial enforcement of the imaginary idea of separation of church and state is a good example. Although the principle is not stated in the Constitution, the Supreme Court saw fit to read it in as an implicit, unstated ideal despite the religious leanings of the founding fathers. Every time someone tries to reinstitute any graduation prayer, moment of silence or mention God in public, it is found to be against the separation of church and state. The recent issue of a moment of silence before Georgia school classes for student contemplation and silent prayer shows this. A teacher who can teach the theory of evolution and the religion of science refuses to allow the moment. Now everyone who leans left finds the moment of silence wrong, but what about the removal of the right to worship? The liberals are preventing religion today the same way the state prevented the teachings of evolution in the early 1900s.

Liberals are often two-headed. They support freedom when it's to their advantage, but deny it when 1) they are in the position of power or 2) the particular group or person opposes them.



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## I just want to be loved. Is that so wrong?



**Just a thought  
by Sean Perry**

There seems to be so many definitions of love, some explicit, some as vague as the smokescreen most girls produce after hearing a poor pickup line. Scientist and philosopher, Sigmund Freud, would explain the phenomenon as an outlet for sexual expression. Layne Staley, lead singer for the Seattle based rock band Alice in Chains, would define it as heroin flowing through the needle. So it goes, with temperament and collective experiences, a unique explanation of the thing we all seem to be searching for arises.

Once, my friend Olde English and I thought we had found it and then awoke to an obese and foul sight quite unlike the "queen of all my dreams" I had met the night before.

I have spent the last year of my life with the same little sparkplug. When I get a little down, she continues to start my engine and keeps the old eight cylinder in high gear until my

daily duties are completed. The acquisition of this celebrated free agent altered my perspective to the way I play the game. Rather than consuming large quantities of malt liquor and doing laps around The Edge or spending sleepless nights contemplating my next move, I just go about my business.

I found that the work day becomes much more productive, and things didn't toil with my sanity as they had before. If someone were to request my definition of love, I would still probably be at a loss for words.

It seems that the fools attempting to find and rationalize this little piece of heaven have confused it with some materialistic possession. Some say, "a babe with biguns," while others say it is a pocket full of greenbacks.

Then there are those who insist that if they have enough greenbacks, they can convince their babe to purchase some "biguns."

We've lost many incredible artists due to a loss or lack of love. From Marilyn Monroe to Kurt Cobain, the extensive list includes a beautiful array of talented individuals.

The numbers still climb as Haitians flee a shameless dictator and young Germans shave their heads in the name of hate. I'm not sure what drives these fools, but I assume it may be an absence of a sort.

Maybe, if everyone would take a few minutes out of their day to give a struggling friend a kick start and possibly ignite a smile, we'd all find our piece of love.



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**Liz Phair**  
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**Ezell**  
*Ezell*  
(Saltwater)

When I first looked at Ezell's debut release, it reeked of an unimaginative independent album cover. I've heard a few good independent recordings in my time, so I tried to keep an open mind. Ezell will be more than happy to save your soul, so that when you die, you can listen to them play live for the rest of eternity — which is my idea of hell.

Like the album sleeve, the music proves just as bad. The music itself, however, is quite beautiful. The band consists of Jeff Ezell on lead guitar, Vincent Wynne on rhythm guitar and John Hale on vocals.

Either the "sound" they were going after was acoustic, or they couldn't pay anyone else to play with them. The latter is my theory, of course. The music is good and well written, but every song sounds the same and has the same message. Ezell pursues the religious aspect to the point of exhaustion, and I soon find myself flipping through the eight songs trying to find something different. The only thing I found was a shallow, monotonous 40 minutes.

• Jim Martin



**Oasis**  
*Definitely Maybe*  
(Creation)

Calling all fans of Creation Records — A new band to look for in the near future is Oasis. Their latest release, *Definitely Maybe*, uses the old Creation formula — cut a decent album. For those not familiar with the sound, the main ingredient is distortion. Guitars are used to create an atmosphere of texturized noise that makes you want to close your eyes and soak up the sonic rays of sound.

Being an impressionable young band from England, comparisons are all but expected. *Definitely Maybe* sounds a little bit like early Blur with a dash of Suede for flavor, with good hooks and above average lyrics. Two songs that come to mind are "Live Forever" and "Supersonic." Like other bands in the past, Oasis needs a little bit of time to explore the musical landscape and test their boundaries as musicians. Oasis does not have that same polished luster an experienced band such as Ride might possess. However, the sheer potential of Oasis makes it worth the price of admission, *Definitely* more than *Maybe*.

• Jim Martin



**Public Enemy**  
*Muse Sick-N-Hour Mess Age*  
(Def Jam)

"On this one, we had to come out with... some retro-funk and laid back R&B with a retro groove," Chuck D appropriately explains Public Enemy's newest 72 minute message, which is cleverly entitled... *Muse Sick-N-Hour Mess Age*.

Flavo Flav is out of jail and back on his silly joker tip with "I Ain't Mad at All," which will definitely become a smash hit similar to his 1989 release, "911 is a Joke." Chuck "Political" D manages to discuss every serious political topic that exists today. This time, the sound bites and hard-hitting beats are slightly different. On "Ain't Nuttin' Buttersong," PE and the Bomb Squad put a new twist on an old classic — Jimi Hendrix's legendary Woodstock guitar solo of "The Star Spangled Banner." Don't think for a minute that PE has sold out to regain their popularity. They're simply experimenting with sounds, because if there's one constant in the rap industry, it's Public Enemy No. 1. Yeah Boyyyy.

• DJ Swance Z



**Stereolab**  
*Mars Audiat Quintet*  
(Elektra)

Out of the U.K. and fresh off Lollapalooza's second stage comes Stereolab. Dreamy, hypnotically wispy vocals permeate this album. The ethereal feminine presence of vocalist Laetitia Sadier is constantly badgered by the swirling guitars and psychedelic keyboards of the rest of the lab technicians.

Steady, jangly pop stops this disk from becoming another "Manchester" clone band. However, the mix isn't perfectly crafted and ends up sounding like one 80 minute opus. A swirling class of 60s meets 90s, where cheesy Hammond organs flutter out against grainy guitar stylings. The band isn't afraid of getting experimental either. The use of brass, tambourines and violins add to the eclectic feeling that would clutter other releases but enhances this one. Images of campy B-movies with girls in mini skirts and hoola hoops dart through the mind. Fans of dreamy pop like the Cocteau Twins and Lush could dig this, but anyone else will find it overly repetitious and bland.

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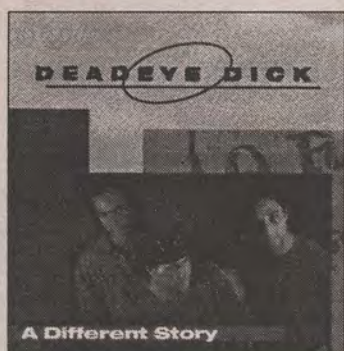
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## Deadeye Dick on target at J.J. Whisper's



by JIM MARTIN  
Axis writer

**D**eadeye Dick, riding the wave of their hit single "New Age Girl," rolled into town to play J.J. Whispers last Friday night. You may not recognize the name of this band, but chances are you have heard the single. You know, "Mary Moon, she's a vegetarian/ .....she loves me so, she hates to be alone/ she don't like meat but she sure likes the bone." The parking lot was packed, as was the club. Local talent Tabitha's Secret opened for them, making Friday a folk rock night.

Hailing from New Orleans, Deadeye Dick has been milling around the Southeast for about two years. Their latest release, *A Different Story*, has been out for most of those two years. I was skeptical when I first received a copy of their debut album, as I figured with a catchy single like

"New Age Girl," they were strong candidates to be pushed off the cliff of one-hit wonders.

Surprisingly, the album turned out to be a respectable collection of 11 songs. Clever, smart lyrics along with catchy song writing make this album one worth picking up. Influences on *A Different Story* range from the Beatles to Simon and Garfunkel to U2.

This is not a great album, though, mostly because the band had only been together for only four weeks when it was recorded. But seeing this band two years after the fact gave me a whole new respect for their music.

Deadeye Dick is made up of singer, songwriter and guitarist Caleb Guillotte, bassist Mark Miller and drummer Bill Landry. Deadeye Dick just came back from a one week vacation. They had been touring almost non-stop after signing with Ichiban Records. I asked

them if they were afraid they would lose mainstream interests when "New Age Girl" begins to fade as a single. Miller admitted



photo/SOLARES

Guillotte and Deadeye Dick put together a two hour set last Friday night.

that it is a thin song.

"We just completed videos for 'Marguerite' and 'Perfect Family,' and we're ready to show that we are a serious band," Guillotte

explained.

More than 50 percent of Deadeye Dick's show consisted of new songs. They have three or four albums worth of material, but they have been so busy touring they haven't had time to record. I could hear a monumental difference in the band between their album and their show. Their songs are much tighter and even catchier than before.

Since they were from New Orleans, known for its jazz and zydeco music, I wondered if they were tempted to try their hand at exploring new music.

They declined, saying they were just going to see what happens, but maybe something would become of it in the future. Although "New Age Girl" is the No. 2 most requested song on The Box, an all-request Video Music channel, MTV hasn't jumped onto the Deadeye bandwagon.

The band was not concerned about MTV's lack of interest. They are confident that either "Marguerite" or "Perfect Family" will be successful and were happy the song had gotten as far as it has. The last question I asked was what the future held for Deadeye Dick.

"We'll record a follow-up to our debut, then hit the road for another nine months," Guillotte said with a smile.

With the long, hard road behind them, Deadeye Dick seems prepared for the longer road ahead.



## Feature

by JIM MARTIN  
Axis writer

Most people come to college to expand their horizons, to become affluent in the arts and to learn to be a working part of today's global society. Others come for the alcohol and the opposite sex.

True, college is a great place to meet one's concubine. The downside is that you'll have to pay your dues before you meet that certain someone. Today the lines of love and sex are so large and blurry one is not quite sure where they stand with their respective lover. On one hand, a couple may have sex on a given night. They wake up the next morning, say good-bye and never think about each other ever again. One of those same two people may get into a relationship a week later and not think about making the move on the other until a few months later.

It seems okay to have sex with someone you have no feelings for, but it is a bad idea to do it early on in a

## Fitting love into this sex thing

*Attempts to define the hazy line between love and sex can be difficult*

serious relationship. Has sex lost its meaning in today's society? Does anyone care? I posed the question "Is there any correlation between sex and love?" to some UCF students.

*Sex is something to pass the time. Love is deep, meaningful and fulfilling.* — Brian

*Love doesn't always mean sex, and sex doesn't necessarily mean love.* — Tunah

*The only difference is an orgasm.* — Meagan

*Sex is something that should be sacrificed for the person you will marry.* — Andrew

*Love is a process of the mind, and sex is a process of the heart...and other body parts.* — Jon

In talking with over 20 people, the answer was basically unanimous. Although a few said they did not personally believe in the statement,

they felt it was a truth in society. As the pendulum of the sexual promiscuity begins to swing back to where it was in the '60s and '70s, society is adapting.



Sex is no longer a ceremonial act of one giving their heart to another, it is a form of recreation.

"It is the best stress buster there is," said a student who chooses to remain anonymous. Doctors say

that sex is one of the keys to good mental health. This seems to be a pillar of sexual truth on which many people support themselves. What's the harm in a little sex?

Other than things in which I choose not to mention due to overkill, not much. As long as the proper precautions are taken, no one gets hurt.

The United States is led by Christian leaders and directed by that same doctrine. Recent generations have found the biblical morality bark to be much more vicious than its bite.

The generation origin of our leaders is changing before our eyes. Our president, Bill Clinton, is the first president to admit that his marriage hasn't been perfect. It is impossible to name any past presi-

dent who has admitted such acts without shame.

Maybe we aren't afraid of what we'll find when we walk into the valley of death. Go anywhere and you'll be sure to find a gross of pickup trucks carrying the "No Fear" sticker. This "No Fear" attitude can pretty much explain behavior of the day. There is no restraint or guilt because there is no fear.

Fact of the matter is, people are having sex. No one is going to stop them from having sex, because two (or more) consenting adults have the freedom to do what they want. It is no one's place in this country to tell anyone else how to act. This country's founders were refugees of religious persecution. Make sure your not either. I'm sure that most of you would rather be having sex than reading this article. So what's keeping you. Go buy someone a drink. Maybe you'll fall in love.

## Theatre

by NORA OSORIO  
Axis Writer

Dedicating this week's issue to the popular four letter word called love, not in February, but in September—right in the middle of the stressing first weeks of school, seemed a bit odd. I don't know about you, but UCF is killing all the loving bones in my body. Maybe this would prove to be an enlightening experience. The romantic comedy, Neil Simon's *Barefoot in the Park*, seemed to be the missing

## Neil Simon offers a humorous insight into the four letter word in 'Barefoot in the Park'

ingredient for a publication dedicated to love.

*Barefoot in the Park* opened September 16th at The Stage Theatre and will be playing until October 2nd. The story takes place on the top floor of an old apartment building in New York's 48th Street. A young couple, just out of their honeymoon, begin their journey through the awkward first stages of married life. Paul Bratter (Boyd Benson), the husband, is a law school graduate who carefully plans every movement he makes. Corie (Amy Detwiler), his young wife, needs

constant excitement in her life, and that is when the amusing problems begin.

The performance as a whole did not satisfy my expectations. Scenes with Corie and Paul did not flow, and the lack of concentration left much to be desired. Benson lost his train of thought more than once, and the spice that Simon put into this unique couple was nowhere to be found.

Barrie Rhind's portrayal of Victor Velasco, the 58-year-old playboy and friend of the Bratter couple, proved to be another dis-

appointment. A big part of the comic relief falls on the shoulders of Velasco, yet Rhind's voice was barely audible. The punch lines in this comedy were stale, and the characters, instead of enthusiastic, seemed subdued.

This performance was definitely not a lost cause. Susan Terret, who played Corie's mother, carried the weight of the play. Her portrayal of a loving, yet neurotic mother kept the show together and saved my sanity.

So much for love and *Barefoot in the Park*. I do have to say that the play made me laugh—not even a disappointing performance can dampen Neil Simon's sense of humor. Please make sure you really know the person whom you marry. Finding out the details after having the signed contract in your hands is far from amusing, and walking barefoot in the park in New York in the middle of winter will not always prevent a break-up.

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# Film

## Cinematic food for thought with a little redemption

### 'Shawshank' gives a powerful look into prison life

*The Shawshank Redemption*  
★★★ (our of 4)  
Rated "R"

by **Derek Krause**  
Axis film critic

Behind Rita Hayworth and Marilyn Monroe exists a hope that only prisoners can imagine. This hope exists, yet isn't easily achieved. Tim Robbins and Morgan Freeman express this feeling in a unique way in their new film, *The Shawshank Redemption*.

As a wealthy banker accused of murdering his wife and lover, Andy Dufresne (Robbins) is thrown into Shawshank prison for two life sentences. Soon after his arrival, he establishes what will become a lifelong friendship with Red (Freeman), who already has given 20 years toward his prison rehabilitation. As time gets served, Andy and Red's friendship grows deeper and the usual prison hardships come and go.

What makes the film unusual, however, is that beneath all the hardships lie more creative morals and a greater mystery only the audience can conceive. Adapted from a Stephen King novella, *Shawshank* carries themes of hope and friendship which baste the film with forgiveness and "redemption" of its characters, the prisoners. Unfortunately, Frank Darabont (director/writer) tends to get lost in these moralistic ideas and underplays the harshness of prison life—not that the brutal beatings and rapes aren't revealed, but the situations lack commitment. Rather than effecting the audience with a sense of evil and

nothingness in these scenes, they are shallow and just seem to happen for no apparent reason.

Darabont does, however, deliver a well-received message about compassion and love between friends. He stays consistent in the

on the outside, ties together with hope. In addition to creating a sense of reality to the film and an inner message not so visible to the average filmgoer, these two sides separate Andy and Red and their mindset behind life in prison. With personalized photography,



Morgan Freeman and Tim Robbins are inmates in *The Shawshank Redemption*, which opens next Friday.

main characters and produces a realistic bond between Andy and Red that absorbs the audience into a brief glimpse of true friendship. In a film where two outstanding actors thrive on each other's talent, Robbins and Freeman are composed and give natural performances. Their conversations alone welcome thought, and give the film a mark of quality. The film's supporting characters aren't so original. With the typical abusive guard and back-stabbing warden, yet with the professionalism of Robbins and Freeman, the others don't add up to even two months of a life term.

As friendship and hope fill *Shawshank*, the film also deals with a mentality that clutters the minds of prisoners behind their individual walls of life. Institutionalized, as Red says, is a fear that if you stay in prison long enough you might not want to leave. This fear, of getting out and not knowing how to survive

from head-to-head shots with Robbins and Freeman, to well-choreographed scenes high above the prison courtyard, *Shawshank* gives off vibes of sensitivity and warmth, as well as profound and domineering power, which are so enchanting they sometimes sway the audience from the dialogue.

Although melodramatic at

times, the film does justice to its many themes, telling a simple story about complex situations that not everybody is able to experience. "Everyone is innocent," the prisoners of Shawshank proclaim, yet innocence is channeled in many ways. Robbins picks

peak. Comedy is tossed around like Chu's precious food, with precision and spice. The laughs are well timed and Lee never confuses dramatic tones with humorous ones, although combines the two making for some awkward situations.

In an opening scene, the audience is raced through a kitchen restaurant filled with steam, delicacies, and flying skillet. Chef Chu describes cooking as an art, as no other scene more defines the film's passion for food. His stubborn and witty performance is genuine and reminiscent of his character in *Pushing Hands*. His three daughters are charming and carry their roles with strength and a beauty only rivaling their own.

Ang Lee's *Eat Drink Man Woman* has some obvious Hollywood influences, but still maintains its Taiwanese culture, which makes for a mouth-watering dish of shrimp, rice, tofu, and a few surprises.

his channel in an awkward way. Whoever said filmmaking was conventional? A fun and intriguing mystery is at the depth of *The Shawshank Redemption*, and Tim Robbins fulfills this void in one of those not-so-awkward ways.

## At the Enzian

*Eat Drink Man Woman*  
★★★  
(out of 4) Not Rated

by **DEREK KRAUSE**  
Axis film critic

Master Chu has lost his taste buds—for food, for life. But, for the most sought after chef in Taiwan, food is his life. Along with his three daughters readying to leave home, Chu's cooking has been what he might call "slop", compared to the culinary masterpieces he once prepared. *Eat Drink Man Woman* (which is currently playing at the Enzian Theater), uses food as a catalyst to tell the story of a family relationship naturally growing apart.

The third film in this Taiwanese trilogy, all directed by Ang Lee (*Pushing Hands*, *The Wedding Banquet*), is calm and secretive, never revealing too much about its characters, yet just enough to keep curiosity at a

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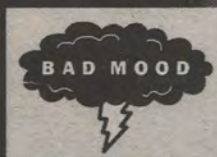
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New England Patriots (+3) at Detroit Lions. The Patsies looked good last week on offense once again, but so would the Tampa Bay Yuccaneers if they had God Bledsoe at quarterback. As for Detroit, they were nothing less than spectacular on national television last Monday evening against the Dallas One-stars. Between the home-field advantage and discrepancies in the two teams' defenses, I feel that the Lions should win this one, and cover the minuscule spread as well. D.L. 28 - N.E. 22.

New Orleans Saints (+15) at the San Francisco '49ers. The Saints were bad enough before Jim Everett went down last week, and putting Wade Wilson at quarterback is like trying to cover up a gushing laceration with a paper towel and a piece of Scotch tape. This will be no contest even though the Saints have had the Niners number over the past few seasons. The only number the Saints should be concerned with is 21 — Deion Sanders. Deion is back, and he'll more than likely be playing more in the secondary in addition to returning kickoffs and punt return duties. I say the Niners in a triple-decker cake walk, which means they'll win by at least 21 if not more. S.F. 35 - N.O. 14.

Pittsburgh Steelers (even) at Seattle Seahawks. The Steelers have yet to prove themselves worthy of all the preseason hype.

Seattle has been a pleasant surprise so far this season. The Seahawks shine on both sides of the ball. Rick Mirer may end up throwing two or three completions to Rod Woodson in this one. The Steelers should win barring they don't wear those hideous old Australian rules football jerseys again. Bananas Foster will run for 100 yards this week, but it won't be easy. Cornerback Patrick Hunter's hamstring injury could be the hole in the secondary that Neil O'Donnell is looking for. Steelers should win this by a field goal. P.S. 21 - S.S. 18.

San Diego Chargers (+4.5) at L.A. Raiders. The Chargers look great this season and have been able to remain undefeated. They handled the Seahawks last week like Sen. Bob Packwood handled his secretary. The Raiders looked great as well when they took apart the newly revamped Broncos' secondary. The Chargers' defense won't be quite as easy, and I feel the Raiders will lose this one in a tight West Coast battle. The decisive edge will be San Diego's running game (Natrone Means) and the Raiders lack of one. S.D. 24 - L.A. 14.

Chicago Bears (+7) at the New York Jets. The Bears are horrid this season, and the possibility of quarterback Eric Kramer missing the game might actually help them. The Jets lost to a good Miami team, and sporadic Boomer can't get the job done. A nonexistent Bears' defense will be just the right antidote for an ailing Boomer. The Jets are better than Da Bears and that's that. N.Y. 21 - C.B. 10.

Monday nighter:

Denver Broncos (+7) at Buffalo Bills. This is a matchup of the AFC's worst representatives in the Superbowl. The only question in this game is which team has made a bigger fool of themselves in the past. The Broncos have to win eventually, and that's

why, once again, I'll pick the Broncos, because eventually they have to prove me right. Elway with the "drive," unfortunately it will be the only one. D.B. 7 - B.B. 0.

Justin

L.A. Rams (+14) at Kansas City Chiefs. I miscalculated the strength of Kansas City. They look like they can win consistently. The Rams are still struggling despite Jerome Betti's huge rushing performance last week. You can't pick against the Chiefs' defense at home. K.C. 27 - L.A. 10.

Cleveland Browns (+1.5) at the Indianapolis Colts. The Brownies extinguished all of the Buddyball flames last Sunday, but Arizona isn't exactly a perennial powerhouse this season. Indiana played Pittsburgh pretty tough and had a shot at winning the game. Jim Harbaugh isn't exactly a stellar quarterback, and the Browns Antonio Langham is playing well. C.B. 27 - I.C. 14.

Miami Dolphins (+3) at Minnesota Vikings. Warren Moon is starting to look comfortable with the Viking system, and Miami suffered another loss in the secondary when

Muhammed Oliver went down last Sunday. It should be easy pickings for Warren Moon, and Terry Allen will surely have a descent day. If not, the Minnesota defense is too strong for Miami to handle. M.V. 24 - M.D. 17.

Tampa Bay Buccaneers (+7) at Green Bay Packers. This is the annual Bay of Pigs football game. Before the season started, this could have been a nice little matchup, but Tampa Bay still hasn't put everything together, and Green Bay has digressed considerably since last season. The game will be at Lambeau Field, so you have to pick the Pack. G.B. 17 - T.B. 10.

Cincinnati Bengals (+8.5) at Houston Oilers. Houston's well looks like it has run dry this season, and they're about consistent as the weather, playing Dallas tough and then losing at home to Buffalo. Cincinnati doesn't seem to be a formidable opponent in the House of Pain. Houston will pick up a win in this one. H.O. 24 - C.B. 14.

Atlanta Falcons (-2) at Washington Redskins. Atlanta got manhandled by KC last Sunday. Washington hung tough with the Giants. Jeff George will probably rebound with a huge effort, and Andre Rison certainly can't be happy with last Sunday's performance. A.F. 28 - W.R. 21.

Game of the week:

Miami Dolphins at Minnesota Vikings. Miami brings their perfect 3-0 record to Minnesota where Warren Moon has found some offense to go along with their rough-neck "D."

Dog of the week:

Cincinnati Bengals at Houston Oilers. The two AFC Central cellar-dwellers are both 0-3. Someone will finally get a victory, even though no one really deserves to.

Justin's record

\* Mr Delias was 3-4 both against the spread and straight up last week. That's one game better than he was last week. Who knows, maybe he'll follow the path of the New England Patriots who got one point closer to victory every week before finally beating the Bengals last weekend. 8-13 overall.

Jason's record

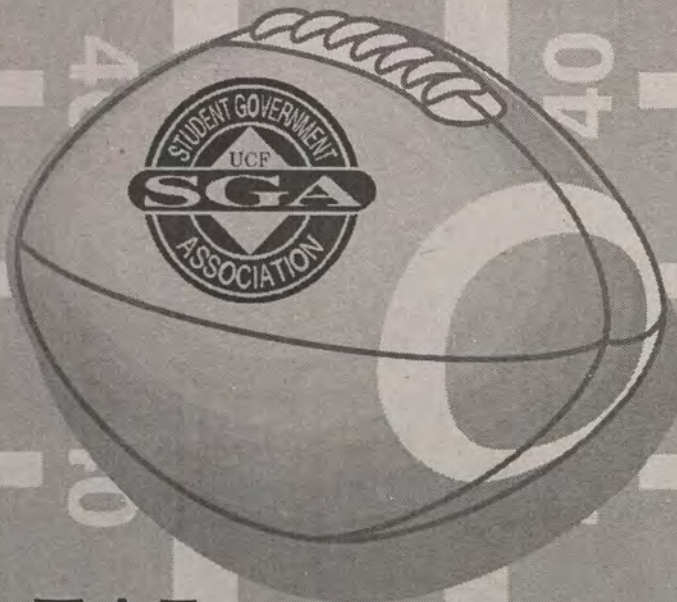
\* 3-4 in both columns. Jay keeps his head above the water of mediocrity. 11-10 overall.

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## UCF's secondary is decimated

□ Steve Wright, Darius Faulk and Brian Crutcher are all out. Can the secondary rise to the occasion?

by JUSTIN DELIAS  
Staff writer

The University of Central Florida Golden Knights' defense suffered big losses this past week—three injured players that are now lost for the season.

Safety Brian Crutcher was diagnosed with a narrowing of the spinal cord after suffering from "stingers," a condition where the arm tingles with numbness all the way to the finger tips, which usually occurs when a nerve in the shoulder is pinched during a big hit. It is a problem that Crutcher has had his whole life, but was unaware of until a recent MRI and CatScan revealed it.

"Every time I hit in the last game, I would get stingers all down my arm. Every time I hit, it was like something's wrong, so they took me to the doctor to get checked out."



Crutcher

The doctors recommended that Crutcher stop playing, and thus Crutcher's football career has come to a halt. For now, Crutcher will help the other team members learn the position, and will work for the team as a student assistant.

Crutcher's loss is a big blow to UCF's defensive secondary. Crutcher was one of the fastest people on the team, and his presence on the field will be greatly missed. Defensive coordinator Ron McCrone is disappointed with the unfortunate loss of a player like Crutcher.

"Brian was just now coming into his own... I was looking forward to him having a great year."

McCrone added that not only would Crutcher's play on the field be missed, but also his "character, class and great leadership."

Safety Steven Wright injured his knee in Saturday's game and will probably miss the rest of this season. This is especially unfortunate for Wright, as he missed all of last season with an ankle injury.

Wright's back-up in the game, Darius Faulk, also injured his knee. Faulk will be out the entire season, and he will be redshirted to retain the year of eligibility.

Despite these huge losses, McCrone is confident that UCF has the depth to fill the empty spots. Several young players will be asked to step up and play big.

McCrone believes that the Knights have the right personnel to do the job, and he does not expect the problems with the secondary to have an affect on the team's chances of winning.

"We'll miss these guys, but as far as thinking we're going to be [crippled] back there, no. We're not going to be bad. We're not going to be bad at all."

### Western Kentucky notes:

The Hilltoppers are 3-0 so far this season and ranked number 11 on the Sports Network Poll. To open the season, they had a home game against state rivals Eastern Kentucky, who they defeated, 24-21. Then they travelled to Murray State where they manhandled them, 39-13.

Last week, they downed Austin Peay at home in a defensive battle, 21-3. Special teams and defense won this game for the Hilltoppers last weekend. They scored their first touchdown when walk-on freshman Vince Tweddell blocked a punt and CB Meco Malcome caught it in mid-air and ran it in for a touchdown. Later Austin Peay had the ball first-and-goal at the Western Kentucky three yard-line, where the Topper defense held on four downs. Defensive End William Howard led WKU with a career-high 19 tackles. Meco Malcome also had 15 tackles. These are the guys to keep an eye on come game time.



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320-pound offensive tackle Ray Forsythe is a menacing sight to every opposing defensive tackle that faces UCF.

## Q & A with Ray Forsythe

by ALLEN KUSHNER  
Staff writer

Even after UCF's heartbreaking loss to Valdosta State at the Citrus Bowl, members of the UCF football team still have high hopes for a fine 1994 season. One of those members is senior offensive tackle Ray Forsythe. At 6-4 and 320 pounds, he is one of the largest men ever to don a Golden Knights uniform.

Forsythe transferred from Kent State in 1993 and has since made his presence known in Division I-AA rankings. He has been ranked among the top five linemen in Division I-AA by *The Sporting News*. After college, he hopes to play in the NFL.

**You have been listed by *The Sporting News* as one of the top five linemen in the country in Division I-AA. How do you feel about that?**

I don't pay much attention to the rankings. It's nice to have earned it, but it's the preseason. It would have been even nicer if it was the post-season, so that's what I am looking forward to right now.

**Would you like to play in the NFL if given the opportunity?**

It's a goal of mine to play in the NFL, but after yesterday's performance [Valdosta State game], I see it slipping away, so I'll just have to kick it up another gear and play harder.

**What are your feelings about**

playing on a team that in one year will make the jump to I-A? Do you feel that you have helped UCF on it's way?

Well, Coach McDowell talked to us this morning before practice and said that we are part of history happening. It's an exciting feeling knowing that in a few years, I'll sit back and see UCF play Nebraska in the Orange Bowl and be able to say, 'I helped the team get to where they are.' It is very exciting to know that we, as Seniors, helped get UCF to Division I-A.

**From your days at Kent State, do you feel that UCF, give or take a few years, will be a legitimate I-A squad?**

Well, as in every school that moves up, there is a rebuilding period which can take two, five, maybe even 10 years. UCF is on the rise with the athletes that are coming in, and I feel that in a couple of years, that they will be beating top-notch schools.

**If you do not play in the NFL, what would you like to be doing?**

I do not like to think about it, but I guess I have to think about it. I discussed it with my wife. I am 21 hours away from graduating with a degree in liberal studies and a minor in history. I would like to teach history in junior high or high school. I would also like to coach. If these things do not work out, then my backup is to plan is to go into WWF Wrestling.

### UCF CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM



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The cross-country team stretches in preparation for an excellent season. The U. of Florida Invitational is Oct. 1.

### UCF drops in Sports Network Poll

The UCF Golden Knights' Football team dropped in the Sports Network Poll despite the manhandling they gave the Bethune-Cookman Wildcats last weekend, 48-17. UCF dropped from number 12 to number 13 in the poll of I-AA teams. Alcorn State moved up from number 15 to number 12, bumping UCF down a spot.

The Golden Knight's opponent this week, Western Kentucky, is now 3-0 and continues to hold on to the 11th position. UCF's homecoming opponent, Troy State Trojans, are currently ranked fourth with a perfect 3-0 record.

## Glimpse at the Golden Knights

UCF Football: Western Kentucky at the Citrus Bowl, Saturday at 1 p.m..

UCF Men's Soccer: UNC Charlotte Soccer Classic: Alabama A&M, Saturday at 1p.m.;

UNC Charlotte, Sunday at 2 p.m.

UCF Women's Soccer: University of Massachusetts Classic: U Mass, Saturday at 12p.m.;

University of Connecticut, Sunday at 2:15p.m.

UCF Volleyball: New Orleans Tournament: Southwestern Louisiana, Friday at 4p.m.; Northeast Louisiana, Friday at 6p.m.; Southeastern Louisiana, Saturday at 12p.m.; New Orleans at 4p.m..